

# League Would Let Premiers Clear Yap Issue

**Secret Session Approves General Terms of Reply to U. S.; Balfour Drafts Text for Action To-day**

**Ishii Is Conciliatory**

**Document Will Offer to Ask Supreme Council for Information on Award**

By Ralph Courtney  
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PARIS, Feb. 28.—The Council of the League of Nations in its reply to the American note on mandates, which will be handed to Ambassador Wallace tomorrow, will offer, it is reported, to ask the Supreme Council for further information concerning the circumstances under which the C mandates (those relating to the Pacific Islands) were allocated. This, so far as can be learned, is about the most definite clause of the reply relating to the Yap mandate.

A secret session was held to-day to consider the terms of the note. These were finally agreed on, but it will not be formally adopted until the document is drawn up and placed before the Council tomorrow morning.

The Council, out of considerations of courtesy, is making a special point of having its note reach Washington before resident Wilson leaves the White House.

Viscount Ishii, head of the Japanese delegation, is understood to have adopted a most friendly attitude toward America during the Council's discussion of the Yap mandate.

**Ishii Makes Address**

While discussing the general draft of the note as Arthur J. Balfour presented it, Viscount Ishii is said to have made a speech which renders it easy for the Council to dispense with a conciliatory spirit toward America. The reply, therefore, will be couched in the most courteous terms.

It will deal with the questions raised by President Wilson on somewhat proper lines than the legal aspects might warrant. The Council, it is understood, does not take a completely negative attitude regarding the mandates and offers to ask the Supreme Council for more information on this subject. It feels bound to point out, however, that this is a question which might be settled in the Supreme Council of the Allied and Associated Nations. It has no information which leads it to think America is not still a member of the Council, unusually described as that of the Principal Allied and Associated Powers.

**Will Halt Other Mandates**

The Council does not admit America's claim that the Supreme Council could not, if America chose to absent herself, dispose of the German colonies without her consent, but it expresses full willingness to take no further steps toward fixing the terms of the A and B mandates until America has had an opportunity to express its views. It is of the understanding that America will in due course have an opportunity to express its views, either by discussion with the Council of the League or at the Supreme Council of the Allied and Associated Powers. This may be assumed as a general forecast of the tenor of the note, although it is doubtful whether the phrase will be precisely like those mentioned here.

Asked upon leaving the council meeting to-night whether the note contained any practical suggestion for the solution of the controversy, Paul Hymans of Belgium, said: "I can say anything. The note is not yet finished."

Nevertheless, at a late hour to-night, it was reported that although Balfour's original draft was covered with many crosses and patches of additions and alterations of phraseology, numerous passages were almost in the state wherein they will be taken up for review to-morrow.

**League Entry Not Debated**

One of the features of the note is that it makes no attempt to enlarge discussion between America and the league beyond the questions actually in hand. The council considered that it was in no wise the proper policy to appear to use the present occasion to drag America into a discussion of her entry into the league, although it was the opinion that once America begins negotiations she will be drawn inevitably into the league. There is even reason to believe that the Mesopotamian and Costa Rican affairs are part of the general policy to show to America that she is in a dangerously isolated position unless she enters the league.

**Japanese Ministers and Officials Under Guard**

TOKYO, Feb. 28.—The residences of the members of the Cabinet and dignitaries are being strictly guarded, as a result of the recent attack on Hachiro Saijō, son of Marquis Saijō, former Prime Minister and head of the Japanese representation at the peace conference, in which Mr. Saijō was injured slightly. His assailants are alleged to be affiliated with a secret society of whose members seven more have been arrested in addition to the six already taken into custody on the charge of being implicated in the assault.

A grocer who attempted yesterday to submit a written appeal to the Crown Prince while the latter was driving through the street by attaching the petition to the end of a bamboo pole was arrested, and a man who tried to enter the home of Prince Kanin, of the Supreme Military Council, last night, was seized.

Daily prayers are being offered at the shrines asking intercession to prevent the departure of the Crown Prince on his forthcoming visit to Europe. An imposing military and police guard has been arranged for the departure of the Crown Prince to-morrow.

**Man Blinded by Rum in Jersey Gets Only \$15,000**

**Supreme Court of State Cuts \$10,000 From Damages in Trial of Suit**

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 28.—The maximum price of a drink of whisky was set at \$5,000 by the Supreme Court of New Jersey to-day, its opinion holding that the verdict of \$25,000 obtained by Mike Kulik, of Bayonne, as damages as the result of becoming blind after taking three drinks was excessive.

Kulik drank the liquor at a wedding, and as a result lost his eyesight. The court declared that if Kulik accepts the award of \$15,000, the rule for final judgment in the case will be entered.

# British Porters Make Germans Lug Own Bags

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Railway station porters refused to carry the hand baggage of the German delegates to the premiers' council when they arrived here this morning. The visitors and their secretaries were compelled to carry their own hat boxes and bags from the train to waiting automobiles. It required considerable pressure from the station inspector to induce the porters to place the heavier pieces of baggage in the automobiles.

Hotel servants also greeted the Germans with considerable coolness, and showed but little disposition to wait on them.

# Police Guard Rhine Rally; 12 Ejected

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37 West Sixteenth Street. None of them was arrested.

After this things quieted down and the proceedings continued with scarcely a break. Dr. von Mach made a brief reference to the commotion, saying that he believed the disturbers were not familiar with the third verse of "The Star-Spangled Banner," a copy of which he held in his hand. They were, he said, "the hirelings and slaves" of the organization which had set out to break up the meeting.

He drew a blank with this veiled reference to the American Legion and proceeded to introduce Warren S. Fisher, "commander-in-chief of the United American War Veterans, and of German birth." After Mr. Fisher had spoken briefly, Lieutenant Colonel Alexander C. Anderson, of the 69th Regiment, was introduced.

"As an American soldier," said Colonel Anderson, "I want to tell you that our country has been beguiled by the wiles and machinations of those who have not the interests of the country at heart."

**Legionnaires Assail Hylan**

As Colonel Anderson ceased speaking the uproar without, which had been heard only dimly, took on a new and definite form. Members of the American Legion in the streets had given up their efforts to break up the overflow meetings by disorganized jeering and heckling and had combined into several groups, which were marching through Madison Square and adjacent streets in close order formation shouting:

"We want an American!"

These shouts were audible inside only at intervals, however, and the next speaker, Otto A. Stiefel, introduced as "an American of German blood," swung into an impassioned oratorical effort, in the course of which the "Fatherland" got the first cheers it has had for some time in the United States and the audience treated itself to a good laugh at mention of England as "that single little island." Mr. Stiefel cheered up the Germans present probably to a greater degree than they have enjoyed for four years, and drew tears from some by quoting poetry and referring sentimentally to the "Rhine-land."

**Demands Equal Rights**

"I want my people over there in the Rhineland," said Mr. Stiefel, "to have the same rights with the English. The Rhineland! The perfection of the beautiful Mark Twain called it when he saw it in the summer time. How many memories it evokes!"

Mr. Stiefel then quoted the verse concerning "Deutsche Frauen, Deutsche Treu, Deutscher Wein und Deutscher Sang" and broke pell-mell into "the horror on the Rhine."

"German women! Oh! German women!" he cried; "what have you suffered! Outside of Austria and Hungary no women or children in the world have endured what you have endured!"

At this point a feminine voice, with an elusive but unmistakable brogue, interrupted Mr. Stiefel.

"What's the matter with Ireland?" it demanded.

**Irish Win a Few Cheers**

Applause broke out all over the big hall. Irish sympathizers had been in evidence ever since the doors were opened and Irish revolutionary pamphlets seemed to enjoy a good sale.

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# Turks Threaten War as Greeks Reject Solution

**Athens Refuses to Let Commission Inquire Into Nationality of Smyrna and Thrace Populations**

**Plan Proposed by Allies**

**Supreme Council Hopes Constantine's Cabinet Will Reconsider Decision**

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LONDON, Feb. 28.—The Greek government has declined to accept the plan of the Allied Premiers to send a commission to Smyrna and Thrace to inquire into the composition of the populations there, with a view to modifications of the Treaty of Sevres, it was announced here to-day. The Greek delegation at the conference was notified from Athens of the government's action.

The announcement brought forth New the audience intended to show Ireland that it appreciated these intentions. It applauded lustily.

Mr. Stiefel spoke of the alleged outrages inflicted by the black troops on German women and finished amid cries of "Shame! Shame!" which seemed to cause him real pleasure, and he bowed his acknowledgments to the audience. He was followed by Bishop Patrick James Grattan Mythen, of the Greek Orthodox Church in the Aleutian Islands, another speaker, frequently interrupted by cries of "God Save the Irish!" and could not himself refrain from telling the audience that Ireland had been fighting for freedom for 750 years.

"If I felt," he said, "that the American Legion sponsored the efforts of some men to break up this meeting, I would fear of my Victory medal and crush it under foot, as it would be a disgrace and would burn my clothes."

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"Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State," he said, "says that there were no black troops on the Rhine, but there were 'colored troops.' Since Mr. Colby comes from Missouri, where there are many negroes and colored persons, doubtless he can make this fine distinction. He should be able to tell whether the Senegalese, Sudanese, Algerians and Moroccans are black or colored."

**Von Mach Assails Colby**

Dr. von Mach, in introducing another speaker, asserted that the French government, "low as it was," had refused to lie about the black troops on the Rhine and "got the American Secretary of State to do the lying."

Other speakers were Sara Bard Field and Francis Joseph Russell. The resolution endorsing the stand taken by Congressman Britten was read by P. O. Dettmann, secretary of the society, under whose auspices the meeting was held. The resolution was adopted by an overwhelming vote, although the "noes" made themselves plainly audible. Dr. von Mach said that he had received messages from Jane Addams and Senator Robert La Follette, expressing their regret at not being able to be present. The mention of La Follette's name brought an outburst of cheers.

Mrs. Marie MacDonald, who was a Socialist candidate for Congress last year, tried to address one of the overflow meetings, but was interrupted repeatedly by the singing of the Legion march.

"If the singing is being done by the American Legion," she exclaimed at last, "I am dead against it. They are the essence of mob rule."

**Four Arrested in Street**

Four men were arrested for alleged disorderly conduct in the streets. They are Edward Russell, of 457 Seventy-third Street, Brooklyn; Jack Reff, of 2183 Broadway; Armando Rodriguez, of 27 Madison Avenue, and George Farley, of 247 East Twenty-first Street. They were arraigned before Magistrate Ten Eyck in night court.

Russell, Reff and Rodriguez requested an adjournment and were held in \$500 bail for examination to-day in Yorkville police court. Farley said he was ready to go ahead with his case and did so. He was assessing the garden, he said, when the audience was emerging and Rodriguez began to strip off his coat in order to exhibit wounds he had received in France. Farley said

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